



Revenues and Expenses: Fiscal Year 2005

The Great Lakes Commission concluded FY2005 in sound financial condition, with operating revenues of \$5.86 million.

Expenses exceeded revenues by \$22,334, or less than 0.004 percent. This was due primarily to higher than anticipated commitments for the nonfederal match component for restricted projects. The excess of expenses over revenues were covered by the Great Lakes Commission reserve funds.

These figures were confirmed by an independent audit, which is conducted each year to examine the Commission's financial operations related to the reporting of revenues, expenses, changes in net assets and cash flows for the fiscal year, which ends June 30.

Overall, the Commission continues to effectively manage its general and restricted fund revenues to achieve the goals and objectives of the organization.

Revenues

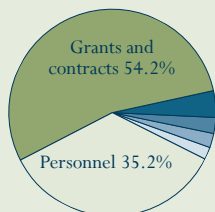
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| Grants and contracts | \$5,290,311 |
| State contributions | \$480,000* |
| Meetings, publications and misc. | \$57,520 |
| Interest income | \$36,261 |
| Total | \$5,864,092 |



State contributions 8.2%
Mtgs., pubs. and misc. 1.0%
Interest income 0.6%

Expenses

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| Grants and contracts | \$3,188,680 |
| Personnel | \$2,075,325 |
| Office operations | \$247,167 |
| Travel | \$141,612 |
| Communications | \$122,737 |
| Program activities | \$110,905 |
| Total: | \$5,886,426 |



Office operations 4.2%
Travel 2.4%
Communications 2.1%
Program activities 1.9%

* includes \$36,538 in dues receivable

2005 Commissioners and Alternates

Delegation chairs are in **bold**.

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Lt. Gov. Patrick Quinn

Rita Athas, Office of the Mayor, City of Chicago
Joel Brunsvold, Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources
Jack Lavin, Dept. of Commerce and Economic Opportunity
Douglas P. Scott, Gov. Appointee

Alternates

Gary Clark, Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources
Dan Injerd, Illinois Dept. of Natural Resources
Katie McClain, Office of Lieutenant Governor

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Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Christopher Goddard
Great Lakes Sea Grant Network, Donald Scavia
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Donald Zelazny, New York State Dept. of Environmental Conservation

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Hon. Robert F. Spada, State Senator
James Weakley, Lake Carriers' Assoc.

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Alternates

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Marcel Gaucher, Ministry of the Environment
André Meloche, Ministry of Transportation

Alternates

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Chantal Ouellet, Ministry of Transportation

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Outstanding Service Award

Michael J. Donahue, the Commission's longtime chief executive, stepped down in February 2005 to join the private sector after a tenure of 18 years. In recognition of his contributions, he was honored with the Commission's Outstanding Service Award at the 2005 Annual Meeting in Ann Arbor.



Lifetime Achievement Award

Research Director Emeritus Al Ballert, who joined the Commission in 1956 as a member of the original staff, was honored for his years of service with the Commission's Lifetime Achievement Award at the 2006 Annual Meeting. Now 91, Ballert still comes into the office several times a week to work on projects of interest.

Interim Executive Director

Thomas R. Crane

Program Managers

Communications and Internet Technology:

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Albert G. Ballert, Ph.D.

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Research Associates

Ken Anderson, Luke Forrest, Chris Kuzak, Eirin Krane, Kyle Mulka, Devra Polack, Jasneet Sharma

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2005 Program and Project Funders

The great majority of Commission programs and projects are pursued in partnership with other agencies and organizations, and benefit from funding support. A listing of 2005 funders is provided below. Thanks to all for their assistance!

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| American Great Lakes Ports Association | State of Illinois |
| Bird Studies Canada | State of Indiana |
| Canadian Shipowners Association | State of Michigan |
| Chamber of Maritime Commerce | State of Minnesota |
| Commonwealth of Pennsylvania | State of New York |
| Great Lakes Fishery Commission | State of Ohio |
| Great Lakes Radio Consortium | State of Wisconsin |
| Industrial Economics, Inc. | U.S. Army Corps of Engineers |
| Joyce Foundation | U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) Natural Resources Conservation Service |
| Lake Carriers' Association | USDA Forest Service, Eastern Region |
| Michigan Department of Environmental Quality | U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) |
| National Fish and Wildlife Foundation | USEPA Great Lakes National Program Office |
| National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) | USEPA Office of Brownfield Cleanup and Redevelopment |
| NOAA Center for Operational Oceanographic Products and Services | U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service |
| NOAA Coastal Services Center | U.S. St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation |
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| NOAA National Sea Grant College Program, Aquatic Nuisance Species Outreach Program | University of Minnesota |
| Project AWARE Foundation | University of Minnesota-Duluth |

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The Great Lakes Commission is a binational public agency dedicated to the use, management and protection of the water, land and other natural resources of the Great Lakes-St. Lawrence system. In partnership with the eight Great Lakes states and provinces of Ontario and Québec, the Commission applies sustainable development principles in addressing issues of resource management, environmental protection, transportation and sustainable development. The Commission provides accurate and objective information on public policy issues; an effective forum for developing and coordinating public policy; and a unified, systemwide voice to advocate member interests.



our vision

A Great Lakes-St. Lawrence River system that ensures a high quality of life for all citizens through a healthy environment and prosperous economy.



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